METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CREATING AND FOLLOWING DRILL LINKS

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A method and system for creating and following drill links in a report are disclosed. A relational abstraction of a data store is defined, the definition including a plurality of views, scalar or aggregate fields associated with the views, and relations between the views. A report is generated that includes at least one drill link associated with a sequence of one or

10   more relations originating at a base view of the relational abstraction. Upon selecting a drill link contained in a first report, information about the drill link is extracted from the report, and the extracted information and the destination view associated with the drill link are used to create a second report.